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I WANT TO GO ON RECORD IN
OPPOSITION TO YOUR PROPOSAL
ON USING CELL PHONES ON AIRPLANES

CELL PHONE CONVERSATIONS ARE A
PROBLEM NOW IN PUBLIC AREAS!

TO HAVE MULTIPLE ~~CELL~~ CELL PHONE
CONVERSATIONS IN THE CONFINED
AREA OF AN AIRCRAFT SHELL
WOULD BE IRRITATING TO THE OTHER
PASSENGERS. DURING THE FLIGHT

IT WOULD BENEFIT A FEW AND ~~TO~~
MAKE LIFE MISERABLE FOR MANY.

SO PLEASE RECORD MY TOTAL
OPPOSITION TO CELL PHONE USE
IN AIRPLANES DURING FLIGHT!

THANK YOU

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Consumer Advisory

Using Your Wireless Phone on Airplanes

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The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is considering proposals that may eventually allow you to use your own cell phone or wireless data device on airplanes after take off. Currently, cell phone users generally are permitted to use their phones before takeoff and after landing. FCC rules currently ban cell phone use after a plane has taken off because of potential interference to cellular phone networks on the ground. In addition, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has rules prohibiting in-flight cell phone use because of potential interference to navigation and aircraft systems.

The FCC has proposed new rules that would allow you to use your cellular and other wireless devices in airborne aircraft as a means to increase communication options available to the traveling public and to increase communication options to public safety personnel. The FCC cautioned, however, that any steps it ultimately takes concerning the use of cellular and other wireless devices aboard aircraft would be subject to the rules and policies of the FAA and aircraft operators. The FCC is coordinating closely with the FAA to ensure that FCC rules and policies complement the FAA's efforts and address issues unique to wireless service providers subject to the FCC's authority.

What Is the FCC Proposing?

The FCC is proposing rules to permit the airborne operation of "off the shelf" wireless handsets and other devices under the following conditions:

- The device operates at its lowest power setting under control of a "pico cell," which is a very small specialized cellular base station installed onboard the aircraft; and
- The operation does not interfere with on-ground users.

Many passenger airplanes are now equipped with special seatback-mounted Airfones that enable passengers to make air-to-ground calls. The FCC has recently approved rules that

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